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**Rio Rancho Couple Convicted On 7 Felony Tax Counts**

SANTA FE – A Sandoval County jury convicted Patrick Youngman on three counts of willfully attempting to evade New Mexico personal income tax for the years 2002 through 2004, and his wife Dana Youngman was convicted of three counts of willfully attempting to evade the payment of state income taxes. Additionally, Patrick Youngman was convicted of 1 count of filing false and fraudulent statements. During the tax years 2002 through 2004, the Youngmans earned over \$290,000 without paying any New Mexico personal income tax. The District Attorney for the 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, Lemuel L. Martinez, secured the convictions in Sandoval County District Court on Wednesday.

The Tax Fraud Investigations Division has worked for 18 months investigating the Youngmans for evading payment of income taxes. The jury deliberated less than 15 minutes before returning a guilty verdict on all counts. Sandoval County District Judge George Eichwald declared that the Youngmans had remained “defiant” during the entire proceedings. The judge immediately remanded the Youngmans into custody and set a cash bond at \$15,000 each.

“Today’s convictions sends a clear message to tax evaders that if you try to cheat the state, you will be prosecuted,” said Jan Goodwin, Secretary of Taxation and Revenue. “Our tax dollars fund the state’s infrastructure and support essential programs and services like health and human services, education, local cities and municipalities, roads and our public safety. Everyone should pay their fair share.”

Secretary Goodwin created the Tax Fraud Investigations Division in February 2003. The Tax Fraud Investigations Division currently has over 50 open cases under criminal investigation.

To report tax fraud against the State of New Mexico, call the Tax Fraud Hotline at 1-866-457-6789.

